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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

U.S. Options - Recognition

and Representation in Angola:

REFERENCE: Draft Paper of 22 October 1975

- 1. We have these comments on the draft distributed to the Angola Working Group on 22 October 1975:
 - a. The paper should rule out immediate recognition by the U.S. Government of the MPLA -- that is hardly an option.
 - b. The paper should examine more deeply the relative advantages and disadvantages of the FNLA and UNITA setting up a rival government.
 - c. The paper should discuss means for influencing the MPLA to hold back any public claim to sovereignty over all Angola. (This might be done through encouraging some further African mediation, etc.)

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e. We should not overemphasize the advantage to the MPLA of scoring more "recognitions" than a rival UNITA-FNLA government.

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